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Mr. HILL. Mr. Speaker, over the past four decades, the growth of upward mobility in America has stagnated despite the numerous programs and trillions of dollars spent on our efforts to reduce poverty.

In the wake of a stalemated war on poverty, we need to move beyond the status quo and, instead, look at the tangible impact that local leadership is having on the programs and concepts that they have created to help those who are struggling in our communities.

In other words, Mr. Speaker, we need to focus on what works. Our goal should be moving people out of poverty and up the socioeconomic ladder, and we can start by turning to our local nonprofit leaders that are working to defeat hopelessness and offering concrete and aspirational futures.

Look at AR Kids Read, the volunteer-based literacy initiative getting private sector volunteers into our elementary schools in Little Rock and Pulaski County and guiding third-graders to a successful future by working with them to assure that they read at grade level.

Let's look at Our House shelter in Little Rock, which teaches families who are struggling with homelessness how to make and sustain positive change.

Mr. Speaker, by prioritizing innovation and success in our community engagement, organizations like these—private, faith-based, and public—working hand in hand can offer our families hope, aspiration, and a roadmap toward the pursuit of happiness.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM

(Mr. FITZPATRICK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, it seems like, too often, issues in this town are predetermined—Republicans care about this; Democrats care about that. There isn't any crossover, and then we are stuck in gridlock.

As someone who has spent my time in Congress working to bridge the gap between left and right, I know there is more that unites us than divides us on the big issues. Today, I am proud to highlight another area of bipartisan agreement, criminal justice reform.

The SAFE Justice Act is a legislative proposal to modernize and strengthen our criminal justice system for the 21st century, addressing its exploding costs to taxpayers and often disproportionate application.

States across the Nation—red and blue alike—have led the way on this important issue, and they offer a blueprint for how we address corrections at the Federal level.

The SAFE Justice Act expands on these lessons by seeking to curtail overcriminalization, increase evidence-based sentencing alternatives, reduce

recidivism, and increase transparency and accountability.

Mr. Speaker, there is a serious, bipartisan appetite to address this issue now, from the House and the Senate to the White House; and I look forward to working with my colleagues to tackle serious criminal justice reform in this Congress.

CONGRATULATING NASA AND THE NEW HORIZONS TEAM

(Mr. LAMALFA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, this week, the first closeup images of Pluto were released thanks to the first-ever mission to explore this world 3 billion miles away.

NASA's New Horizons spacecraft launched at a speed well above 30,000 miles per hour, making it the fastest spacecraft ever launched. The New Horizons probe was launched almost 10 years ago; yet NASA was able to predict its arrival time within 1 minute only a few thousands miles from the planet.

New Horizon's successful mission reaffirms the leadership role the United States plays and must play in the future in space exploration. This helps foster innovation and new technology. The space program also inspires future generations to pursue degrees and careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

As New Horizons begins the process of transmitting data, we will learn even more about Pluto, as well as the Kuiper belt, on its next mission beyond Pluto.

Mr. Speaker, NASA's New Horizons team needs to be congratulated for its historic accomplishment, and it is one that all Americans can be proud of as a testament to America's ingenuity and determination.

Once again, NASA has expanded the reach of space exploration, and we applaud their efforts and the New Horizons team.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO UNITED STATES-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 1238(b)(3) of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), as amended, and the order of the House of January 6, 2015, of the following individuals on the part of the House to the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2016:

Mr. Larry Wortzel, Williamsburg, Virginia

Mr. Peter Brookes, Springfield, Virginia

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. HUDSON (at the request of Mr. MCCARTHY) for today on account of a family illness.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, July 20, 2016, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

2186. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Novaluron; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0232; FRL-9929-57] received July 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; to the Committee on Agriculture.

2187. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Thiabendazole; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0396; FRL-9929-95] received July 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; to the Committee on Agriculture.

2188. A letter from the Director, Office of Management and Budget, Executive Office of the President, transmitting a supplemental update of the Budget, commonly known as the Mid-Session Review, containing revised estimates of receipts, outlays, budget authority, and the budget deficit for fiscal years 2015 through 2025, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1106; to the Committee on the Budget.

2189. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Distillates, (Fischer-Tropsch), heavy, C18-C50, branched, cyclic and linear; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0585; FRL-9929-27] received July 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2190. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Washington: Interstate Transport Requirements for the 2008 Lead and 2010 Nitrogen Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standards [EPA-R10-OAR-2015-0329; FRL-9930-69-Region 10] received July 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

2191. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's direct final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; Low Reid Vapor Pressure Fuel Regulations [EPA-R06-OAR-2015-0027; FRL-9930-79-Region 6] received July 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Added by Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.